

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT  
PUBLIC SESSION  
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2019  
7:00P.M.**

**1. OPENING**

**1.1.1 Call to Order**

Council President Yeargin called the meeting to order at 7:05p.m.

**1.1.2 Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Eugene W. Grant (Excused), Councilmember Charl Jones (Excused), Councilmember Hope Love, Councilmember Lamar Maxwell (Excused), Councilmember Shireka McCarthy, Councilmember Kelly Porter, Councilmember Gloria L. Sistrunk, Councilmember Reveral Yeargin

Staff: C. Reginald Bagley, Acting Director of Economic Development, Brian Bailey, Project Manager, Dashaun N. Larham, City Clerk, Sharron Lipford, Director of Public Engagement, Devan Martin, Chief of Police, Diamond Plater, Council Clerk, Jeannelle Wallace, Chief Operating Officer, Adeoye Aganga-Williams, Chief Financial Officer

**1.1.3 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:**

The invocation was given by Councilmember Porter

**1.1.4. Approval of Agenda**

It was motioned by Councilmember Sistrunk and seconded by Councilmember Love to approve the Public Session Agenda. The motion carried, and the agenda was unanimously approved by the Council.

**1.1.5. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- It was motioned by Councilmember Porter and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve the Regular Work Session Meeting minutes for Monday, April 1, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.

- It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve the FY2019 Budget Hearing Meeting minutes for Monday, April 8, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.
- It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve the Constant Yield Hearing Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 8, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.
- It was motioned by Councilmember Love and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve the Public Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 8, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.
- It was motioned by Councilmember Sistrunk and seconded by Councilmember McCarthy to approve the FY2019 Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 13, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.
- It was motioned by Councilmember Love and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve the Special Session Meeting Minutes for Monday, April 22, 2019. The motion was carried, and the meeting minutes was unanimously approved by the City Council.

## **2. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

- Aretha Stephenson-604 64<sup>th</sup> Pl., Seat Pleasant, MD stated that the resident driveways were blocked with on Seat Pleasant Day. She

wanted to know if the vehicles that are parked in the opposite directions can be towed? She would like to receive an account of camera money that has been used for the past four (4) years to include invoices, etc. The guidelines for how the camera money can be used. She would like an account of how much has been spent for the past four (4) years for the Mayor's State of the Union on the city's progress to include vendors and receipts of all parties paid by the city. She would like an account and records of all city vehicles purchased or leased by the city to include invoices and receipts for the past four (4) years and the balances remaining on the vehicles. She would like to know if there are any programs or resources available to assist residents with excessive water accumulation in the yards and homes?

### **3. PRESENTATIONS:**

#### **3.1. Clerk of the Year Plaque Presentation, Doris Stokes, MMCA Vice President**

- Ms. Stokes requested for other members of the Association to join at the podium, as they served on the Clerk Year Nomination Committee and recipients of the Clerk of Year. Yvette Allen, Sharla Crutchfield, and Awilda Hernandez joined Ms. Stokes.
- Ms. Stokes stated that the Clerk of Year nomination process began in December 2018 and ended in February 2019 using an electronic voting system for the first time.
- Ms. Stokes stated that Ms. Lanham has over 11 years of experience with Seat Pleasant and the MMCA. She had received two nomination for the Clerk of Year for her outstanding services, great consistent mentoring, great advice, positive attitude and dedication to her work.
- Ms. Lanham was recognized for the Board Docs system that the City is currently using and the support for the various departments and events.
- She was recognized for her extensive knowledge and wealth of experience in her profession.
- Ms. Lanham served on the Engagement and Outreach Committee, Legislative Committee and Scholarship Committee. She is committed to professional development and received her CMC designation and working towards her MMC.
- Ms. Lanham was nominated amongst her peers to serve as the Vice President of the Maryland Municipal Clerk Association and will be sworn-in, in June.

- Ms. Lanham is very passionate about seeing our mentorship program become a viable part of the organization. She has stated that she wanted to ensure that the Clerks are recognized as the heartbeat of the government.

#### **4. LEGISLATION**

**4.1. Ordinance O-19-12 Amendment of Chapter 43-Voting** was introduced by the City Council and read by the City Clerk on Monday, May 6, 2019. The second reading was held on Monday, May 13, 2019. It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve Ordinance O-19-12. The motion carried and was unanimously approved by the City Council.

**4.2 Ordinance O-19-13 Amendment of Chapter 68-Commercial Business District** was introduced by the City Council and read by the City Clerk on Monday, May 6, 2019. The second reading was held on Monday, May 13, 2019. It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve Ordinance O-19-13. The motion carried and was unanimously approved by the City Council.

**4.3. Ordinance O-19-14 Amendment of Chapter 59-Brush, Grass and Trees** was introduced by the City Council and read by the City Clerk on Monday, May 6, 2019. The second reading was held on Monday, May 13, 2019. It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve Ordinance O-19-14. The motion carried and was unanimously approved by the City Council.

**4.4. Ordinance O-19-15 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget** was introduced by the City Council and read by the City Clerk on Monday, May 6, 2019. The second reading was held on Monday, May 13, 2019. It was motioned by Councilmember Love and seconded by Councilmember Porter to approve Ordinance O-19-15. The motion carried and was unanimously approved by the City Council.

#### **5. REPORTS:**

##### **5.1. Council President Report**

- Council President Yeargin stated that his report can be found on Board Docs for March.

## **5.2. Mayor Eugene W. Grant**

- Mayor Grant was on travel and did not submit a written report for the month of May.

## **5.3. Chief Operating Officer Report-Jeannelle Wallace, Chief Operating Officer Report**

- Mrs. Wallace stated that she wanted to summarize some of the departmental reports.
- We have purchased several vacant properties to make the neighborhood better. We have sold 6003 Seat Pleasant Dr has sold and we have a total of four properties that are either under contract or sleighed to be sold.
- We had a pre-construction meeting with USDA scheduled for May 9, 10 and 14th.
- The police department had a significant meeting with States Attorney Aisha Braveboy to assist residents to have their records expunged.
- We have made some amendments to update the Standard Operating Procedures.

Councilmember McCarthy wanted to know the status of the issue with the water not running in the Building B.

- Mrs. Wallace stated that we are aware of the issues and the vendor is scheduled to come tonight. We are trying to get the lines tied into WSSC. We have been having problems and are addressing the concerns.
- Councilmember Porter wanted to know if we are scheduling a Ward Clean-up and that has always been prior to Seat Pleasant Day.

## **6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **6.1. None**

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1. Approval of NCC Inspector Supervisor Job Description**

- It was motioned by Councilmember McCarthy and seconded by Councilmember Sistrunk to approve the NCC Job Description. The motion carried and the Job Description was unanimously approved by the City Council.

## **7.2. Council Retreat Agenda Discussion**

- The City Council revised the time from 9:00am-6:00pm to 11:00am-4:00pm.
- The meeting topics to be discussed by the City Council are Legislative Aid, Charter Review Commission, Council staffing, Smart City Presentations, Youth Council, Council Goals, Committee Meeting Expectations, Annexation, Education Satellite Campus/Partnerships, Chesapeake Trail,
- Council President Yeargin requested for City Clerk Lanham to provide recommendations/suggestion on the City Charter

## **8 ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**8.1. Seat Pleasant City Council Retreat, Saturday, May 18, 2019, Seat Pleasant Activity Center, 5720 Addison Rd., Seat Pleasant, MD from 9:00am-6:00pm**

**8.2 Ward V Monthly Meeting, Monday, May 20, 2019, Seat Pleasant Activity Center, 5720 Addison Rd., Seat Pleasant, MD from 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m.**

**8.3 Regular Work Session, Monday, June 3, 2019, Seat Pleasant City Hall-Council Chambers, 311 68th Pl., Seat Pleasant, MD 20743 at 6:00pm**

**8.4 Community Fish Fry, Saturday, June 8, 2019, Goodwin Park, 311 68th Pl., Seat Pleasant, MD from 12:00pm-5:00pm**


**8.5 Public Session, Monday, June 10, 2019, Seat Pleasant City Hall-Council Chambers, 311 68th Pl., Seat Pleasant, MD 20743 at 7:00pm**

**8.6 MML Summer Conference, Sunday, June 23-26, 2019, Ocean City, MD**

## **9. ADJOURN-**

The Public Session meeting adjourned at 8:30p.m.

Submitted by,

  
Dashaun N. Lanham, CMC  
City Clerk

APPROVED 06/10/19